

CAPSULE SUMMARY
2380 Old Washington (CH: 582)
Charles County, Maryland

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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____
common/other name _____

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2. Location

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street & number 2380 Old Washington Road not for publication _____
city or town Waldorf vicinity _____ state Maryland code MD
county Charles County code 17 zip code 20601

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

☒ building(s)
☐ district
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

| Contributing | Noncontributing | |
|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| <u>2</u> | <u>1</u> | buildings |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | sites |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | structures |
| <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | objects |
| <u>2</u> | <u>1</u> | Total |

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes _____ Name of Listing _____
No X

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

Foundation Solid: Rock-faced Concrete Block
Roof Side Gable: Asphalt Shingle
Walls Frame: Asbestos Shingle
other _____

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance

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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☐ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ☐ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ B removed from its original location.
- ☐ C a birthplace or a grave.
- ☐ D a cemetery.
- ☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ F a commemorative property.
- ☐ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1920-1950

Significant Dates c. 1920
1934

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation Undefined

Architect/Builder Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

Carley, Rachel. *The Visual Dictionary of American Domestic Architecture*. New York, NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1994.

Charles County Land and Will Records. Charles County Courthouse and the Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, Maryland.

Massey, James C. and Shirley Maxwell, "A Nation in Bungalove," *Old House Journal*, Volume XXIV, Number 2, March/April 1996, page 35-36

McAlester, Virginia and Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. New York, NY: Alfred A. Knopf, 1985.

Rivoire, J. Richard. *Homeplaces: Traditional Domestic Architecture of Charles County, Maryland*. Crownsville, MD: Maryland Historical Trust, 1990.

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property .603 acres

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property at 2380 Old Washington Road is designated as Parcel 88, Grid 11 as indicated on Map 8.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The building at 2380 Old Washington Road has historically been associated with Parcel 88 since its construction circa 1920.

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11. Form Prepared By

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12. Property Owner

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name Erich J Hintze, Jr. and Rebecca Ann Hintze
street & number P. O. Box 1607 telephone _____
city or town White Plains state MD zip code 20695

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The house at 2380 Old Washington Road is situated at the intersection of Old Washington Road and Hintze Place. The level, grassy lot is adorned with mature trees and shrubs. Constructed circa 1920, the Craftsman-style bungalow is one-and-a-half stories in height and three bays in width. Set on a rock-faced concrete block foundation, the wood frame dwelling is clad in asbestos shingles. A one-story porch extends across the full width of the façade. An asphalt shingle side gable roof covers the building, with an interior end brick chimney with a corbeled cap rising from the ridge.

EXTERIOR DESCRIPTION:

The façade, or the northwest elevation of the building, is three bays wide with two sets of paired windows flanking the centered entry. Wide, square-edged wood surrounds frame the 6/1 windows. The single leaf entry is wood paneled with lights. The one-story, three-bay wide porch is set on a brick pier foundation. Wood Tuscan columns atop brick piers support the porch. Other porch details include a wood railing with square cut wood balusters, two shallow concrete steps and a wood deck that has been rebuilt. The gable dormer, clad in asbestos shingles, contains three 6/1 windows.

Three 6/1 windows pierce the first story of the southwest elevation. A single 6/1 window sits in the half-story of the gable end. Wide, square-edged wood surrounds frame these windows. On the rear of the house, there is a one-story, one-bay deep addition with a shed roof. Constructed of concrete block, the southwest elevation of the addition contains a single leaf, wood paneled door.

The rear elevation of the dwelling is partially obscured by the one-story addition. One 6/1 window pierces the southeast elevation. The one-story rear addition has a shed roof. It contains a 6/1 window and a band of four one-light windows that wrap around the corner of the addition.

The first story of the northeast elevation contains two 6/1 windows and the half-story is also adorned with a 6/1 window. Wide, square-edged wood surrounds frame these windows. The two basement level windows, that are set into the rock-faced concrete block

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foundation, have been boarded shut. Shallow concrete steps lead to the northeast elevation of the addition. The addition is pierced with a single leaf door and flanking one-light windows.

SUPPORTING BUILDINGS:

A one-story, one-bay wide garage, dating to the first quarter of the 20th century, is located at the rear of the house. Set on a concrete block foundation, the garage is built of concrete blocks with the gable end being clad in vertical board wood siding. The garage has a front gable roof and double leaf wood flush doors. A 1970s era carport also sits to the rear of the house. The one-story, one-bay carport has a corrugated fiberglass roof that is supported by metal posts.

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The typical Bungalow/Craftsman style, which gained popularity in the early 20th century, can be identified by the horizontal lines, deep, full-width porches, low-pitched roofs, broad eaves, an emphasis on natural materials, and a general air of informality. First used as vacation cabins, the Bungalow's small scale, informal floor plans, sheltering porches, and inexpensive building materials made it a natural addition to suburban communities.¹ Typical of Craftsman style houses, this dwelling features wide eaves, a deep-set porch, double-hung windows and wide wood surrounds on the doors and windows. The bungalow became the dominant style of middle and working class households in the early years of the 20th century. These houses were very popular because they were inexpensive to design and build. In fact, the style was spread primarily by plans sold in popular catalogues, rather than by architects.

Following the Civil War, southern Maryland adjusted to shifts in economic activity and population centers. Railroads made the greatest impact upon community development in this period, particularly the completion of the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad's (B & P) main line from Bowie in Prince George's County to Pope's Creek in Charles County in 1872. Small towns grew when they became regular stops on the B & P line, and developed as service centers for the surrounding rural areas. In 1922, construction began on the Robert Crain Highway, U.S. 301's predecessor.

¹ James C. Massey and Shirley Maxwell, "A Nation in Bungalow," *Old House Journal*, Volume XXIV, Number 2, March/April 1996, page 35-36.

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National Register Evaluation:

The house at 2380 Old Washington Road is not eligible due to the fact that it does not meet National Register Criteria A, B, C, or D. Preliminary research has not revealed any association between the building and events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history (Criterion A) or the lives of persons significant in our past (Criterion B). Although the building provides an example of vernacular rural architecture, it is neither unusual nor distinguished; it does not represent the work of a master or display high artistic merit (Criterion C). There is no evidence that the property is likely to yield information important in history or prehistory (Criterion D). Thus, the property is not National Register-eligible.

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Eligibility recommended _____ Not Recommended X

Comments:

Review, OPS: *[Signature]* Date: 4/3/99

Reviewer, NR Program: _____ Date: _____

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Industrial/Urban Dominance (1870-1930)
Modern Period (1930-present)

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape, and
Community Planning
Economic

RESOURCE TYPE(S)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function (s): DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Chain of Title:

September 29, 1869: George L. Moon to wife, later known as Martha A.E. Acton
Will Records of Charles County
Liber MJ 18 Folio 140

January 15, 1923: Martha A.E. and John S. Acton to John Y. and Lillie May Blakely
Land Records of Charles County
Liber WMA 40 Folio 72

April 28, 1924: John Y. and Lillie May Blakely to Elvira Lawson-Scribner
Land Records of Charles County
Liber WMA 42 Folio 86

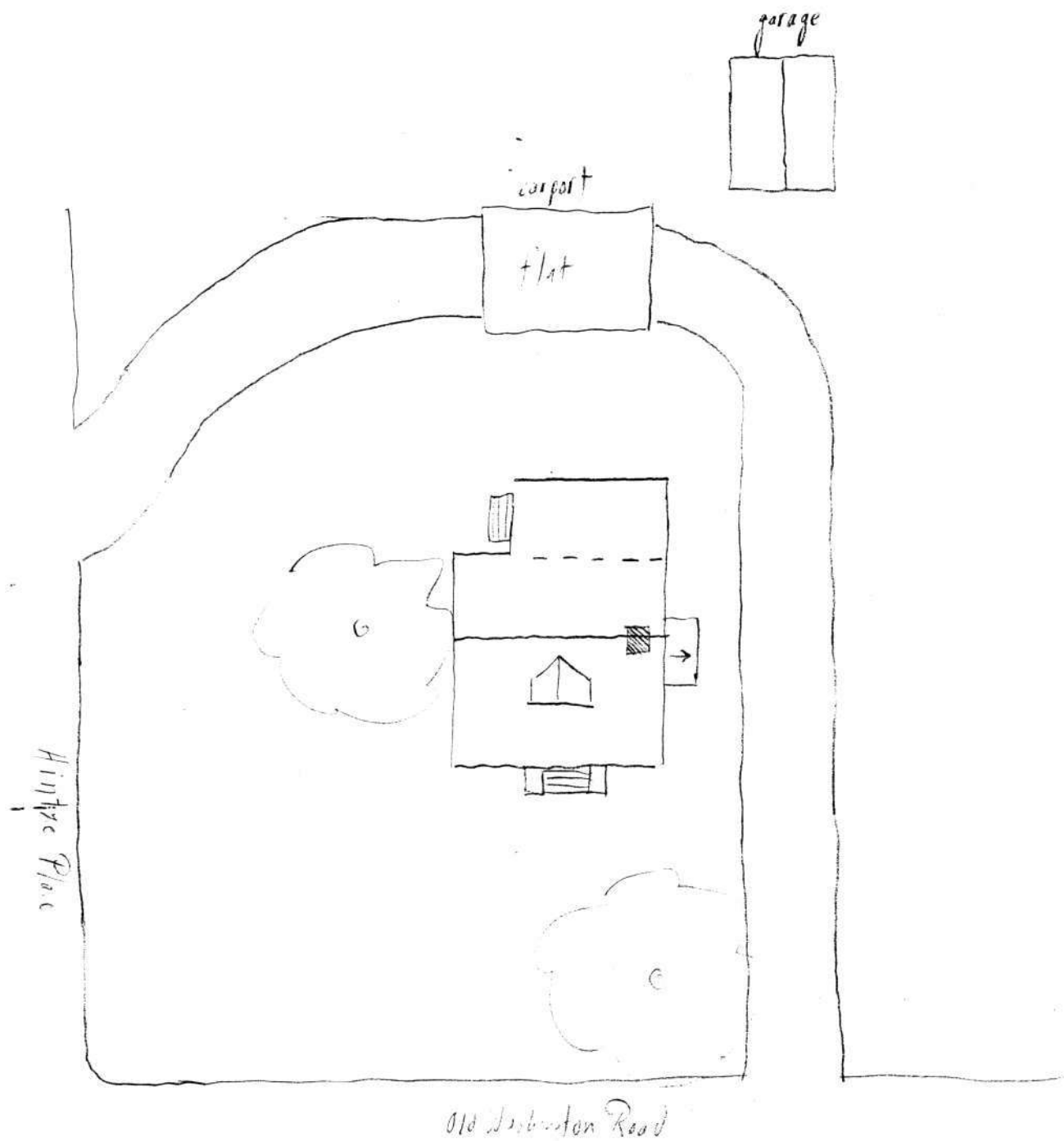
March 21, 1928: Elvira and Allan Lawson-Scribner to Frances L. Adams
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 48 Folio 294

May 6, 1929: Frances L. Adams to Elvira Frances Adams
Land Records of Charles County
Liber WMA 53 Folio 121

January 19, 1934: Elvira Frances and Allan R. Scribner to Erich J. and Beatrice P. Hintze, Sr.
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 58 Folio 226

December 9, 1981: Erich J. Hintze, Sr. to Erich J. and Rebecca Ann Hintze, Jr.
Land Records of Charles County
Liber 815 Folio 179

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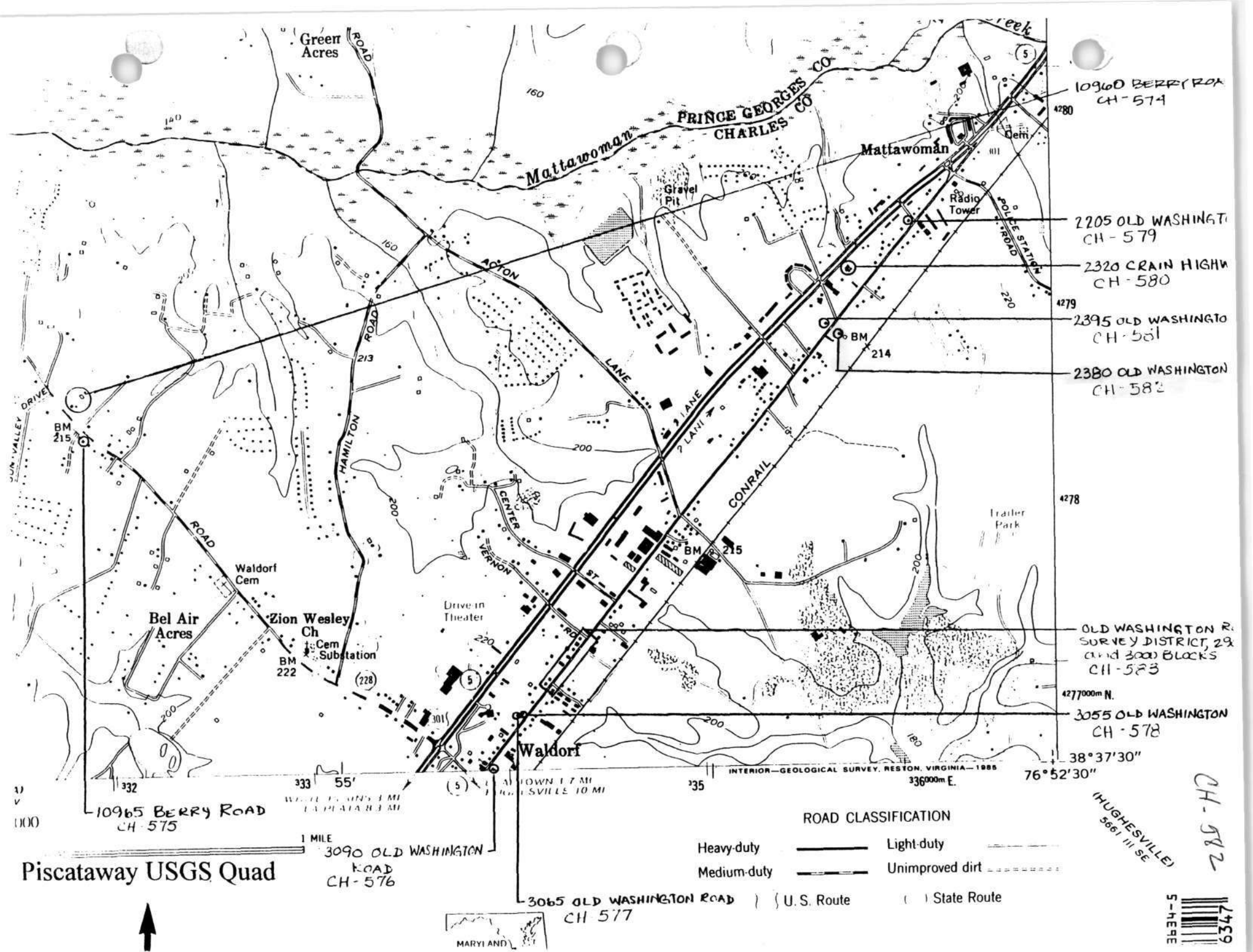


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Resource Sketch Map 1999
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Northwest elevation, looking southeast

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Southwest elevation, looking northeast

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Southeast elevation, looking northwest

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East Corner, looking west

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